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NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE FOR CAPT. M. G. ALEXANDER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: XD, XF, MARP, MOPS, MILI, PK

SUBJECT: NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE VISIT TO PAKISTAN, APRIL 1975

REF: CAPTAIN ALEXANDER'S LETTERS OF MARCH 4 AND 24

1. WHILE FORMAL GOP APPROVAL OV VISIT STILL FORTHCOMING, WE REMAIN CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL SOON BE GRANTED SINCE GOP OFFICIALS HAVE INFORMALLY SO ASSURED US. IN MEANTIME, WE HAVE DRAWN UP TENTATIVE ITINERARY FOR VISIT WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

APRIL 28 - GROUP WILL BE MET AT AIRPORT ON ARRIVAL AND ESCORTED DIRECTLY TO INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL. NO SOCIAL FUNCTIONS PLANNED.

APRIL 29 - 8:30 AM - BRIEFING AT EMBASSY BY AMBASSADOR BYROADE

10:00 AM - CALL ON FORIGN SECRETARY AT MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

11:00 AM - CALL ON ACTING CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

12:00 PM - LUNCH AT AMERICAN CLUB (NO HOST)

1:30 PM THRU 6:00 PM - FREE TIME (SEE BELOW)

6:30 PM - RECEPTION HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR BYROADE
AT HIS RESIDENCE IN ISLAMABAD

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8:00 PM - SERIES OF SMALL DINNER PARTIES HOSTED

BY EMBASSY OFFICERS

APRIL 30 - 8:00 AM - CALL ON SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

9:00 AM - CALL ON CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF

10:00 AM - CALL ON PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO

10:30 AM - LEAVE FOR AIRPORT

11:00 AM - WHEELS UP FOR NEW DELHI

NOTE: WHILE THERE COULD BE APPRECIABLE CHANGES IN SCHEDULE, WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT GROUP WILL HAVE CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED ABOVE OR THOSE WHOSE FUNCTIONS AT LEAST SOMEWHAT APPROXIMATE THEIRS.

2. FREE TIME APRIL 28. WE PROPOSE THAT GROUP BE GIVEN A CHOICE, AS THEY HAVE IN PAST, BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING:

A. SHOPPING IN ISLAMABAD AND RAWALPINDI (AREA HAS GOOD BUYS IN ORIENTAL CARPETS AND BRASSWARE).

B. TRIP BY BUS TO SCENIC HILL STATION MURREE. WOULD BE ESCORTED BY EMBASSY OFFICER.

C. TRIP TO IMPORTANT ARCHEOLOGICAL SITE TAXILA. ESCORTED BY EMBASSY OFFICER.

REQUEST REPLY INDICATING NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN EACH OF THESE ACTIVITIES SO THAT WE CAN PROPERLY PLAN FOR THEM.

NOTE: AS HOT WEATHER IS FAST APPROACHING, RECOMMEND CHOICE C ONLY FOR THOSE WITH REAL INTEREST IN SUBJECT WHO CAN TOLERATE HOT WEATHER.

3. AS PER YOUR LETTERS: ROOM COSTS AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL ARE APPROXIMATELY \$29.00 FOR SINGLES AND \$36.00 FOR DOUBLES; WE ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTIES WITH AIRCRAFT CLEARANCES OR NONE WITH LANDING AIRCRAFT AT NIGHT; 60 COPIES OF EMBASSY PREPARED GUIDE TO ISLAMABAD-RAWALPINDI AREA WERE AIR POUCHED DIRECT TO NWC APRIL 7; NWC GRADUATES AT POST ARE PETER BRESCIA, PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER, AND WILLIAM THOMAS, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR DEVELOPMENT POLICY, USAID, BOTH CLASS OF 64. IN PREVIOUS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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YEARS, ONLY TOKEN GIFTS, SUCH AS AHSTRAYS, PLAQUES AND PLAYING CARDS HAVE BEEN EXCHANGED; NO UNIFORM REQUIREMENT; AND IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS FORMS WILL BE COMPLETED AND PROCESSED BY EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION.
BYROADE

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